President.—Why we gave up the idea, is that so?

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Work that is done for giving up the idea.

President.—No work will be done to give up an idea.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Miscellaneous contingencies for giving up the idea?

President.—We suppose no expenditure has to be incurred for giving up an idea. There lies the fallacy.

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—As a matter of fact, the first letters of the alphabet are completely finished. There are 51 alphabets in the Malayalam language. Calculating at the rate of what we used to spend, it would take nearly Rs. 60,000 to make it complete.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—60,000 rupees?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—Yes, for all the 51 alphabets and the combined alphabets together.

Mr. S. F. Nunez.—It could be spread over a number of years.

President.—I think Mr. Ramachandra Ayyar is not to blame for his supplementary question. The Government is in a way responsible, because it gave its previous answer not in a proper way. For instance, the question is regarding "the details of expenditure of Rs. 992—1—0 for giving up the idea of compiling the Malayalam Dictionary." You could have said no expenditure was incurred. The expenditure was incurred for the compiling of the Dictionary. That would have been proper.

Mr. C. A. Ouseph.—If that word " for " has been before, then the answer would have been all right. I do not know whether they have misunderstood it.

President.—Of course, they should have given the reply " No expenditure was incurred for giving up the idea of compiling the Dictionary." It passed my notice. Of course, nobody is expected to ask such questions.

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon —But the question is there.

The deputation of the journalists on the Diwan.

226. Mr. K. T. Mathew.— Will the Government be pleased to state whether a deputation of the journalists in the State waited on the Diwan soon after the last meeting of the Legislative Council; and if so, what were the representations made by the deputation, whether their representations have been granted by the Government; and if so, in what way, and if any of their representations have not been granted, what are they, and what are the reasons for not granting them?

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Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—Yes, such a deputation waited on the Diwan. The Government are collecting information as to the privileges accorded to the Press in other States, and orders on the representations will issue in due course.

The total collections from the Nelliampati Estates.

227. Mr. H. J. Walmesly.—Will the Government be pleased to state the amount collected from all Nelliampati district estates, including Tuttanpara, in rents and from the sale of liquor and other licenses and tolls, in the hills, during the years 1098, 1099 and 1100 ?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—

	1098 Rs.	1099 Rs.	1100 Rs.
Coffee quit rent	7,979-9-0	7,778-3-8	7,429-5-8
Duty on arrack sold	3,075-0-0	3,671-0-0	4,240-0-0
Rentals of tobacco shops	270-0-0	390-0-0	390-0-0
Rentals of arrack shops	1,470-0-0	1,250-0-0	1,545-0-0
Tolls	721-0-0	905-0-0	302-0-0
Rent on lands leased out.			
'Tuttanpara'	600-0-0	600-0-0	600-0-0
Fees on shooting licenses	80-0-0	120-0-0	80-0-0

Mr. H. J. Walmesly.—Sir, in view of the considerable revenue from the Nelliampati district, may I ask the Government of Cochin to increase the allotment for its up-keep?

President.—Is it your supplementary question or a request made to the Government ?

Mr. H. J. Walmesly.—A request. Yesterday also I had a question relating to this.

President.—Yesterday's questions are over.

Mr. H. J. Walmesly.—I sent the two questions together. They have been put on separate dates.

President.—Mr. Walmesly, your question that was answered yesterday had connection with the question that is put to-day ?

Mr. H. J. Walmsley.—Yes, Sir; as I pointed out, it entirely depended on the same matter. I wish to point out this, Sir, in view of the considerable revenue of Rs. 14,000 derived from this district.

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